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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of June 26, 2007, entry of the present amendment effecting claim amendments to place the application in condition for allowance or remove issues from appeal, if required, is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: